ABSTRACT

A method and an arrangement in a communications system handling data packets provides a user of the terminal a possibility to control the available bandwidth of application data flows in and out of the terminal in accordance with the user's preferences. The invention provides the user with a possibility to speed up applications that he finds are relatively more important, by restricting application flows to applications that he finds less important. Incoming application data flows are controlled by manipulating window sizes that are reported to the respective senders of the incoming data on the respective incoming application flows. Outgoing data flows are controlled by supervising the sending times of data packets on the different outgoing application flows. Control decisions are based on information about the user's preferences, which information is stored in a memory in the terminal.